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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE DEFENSE
NUCLEAR AGENCY

1. EMBASSY BONN HAS RECEIVED A CABLE FROM LT. GEN. WARREN D. JOHNSON, DIRECTOR, DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY (DTG 101543Z NOV 75) ASKING THE EMBASSY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO "RDA". RDA (OTHERWISE UNIDENTIFIED) IS APPARENTLY SETTING UP AN OFFICE IN THE MUNICH AREA IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE CARRYING OUT OF RESEARCH ON BEHALF OF THE DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY. THE EMBASSY REQUESTS GUIDANCE AS TO THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE IT CAN APPROPRIATELY PROVIDE.

BEGIN TEXT:

FM DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY WASHDC/LTG JOHNSON

TO US EMB BONN GERMANY

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FROM: LT GEN WARREN D. JOHNSON, DIRECTOR, DEFENSE
NUCLEAR AGENCY

SUBJECT: DNA TASKING OF RDA IN EUROPE

1. THIS MESSAGE IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY HAS ASKED RDA TO PERFORM CERTAIN TASKS RELATED TO THEATRENUCLEAR WARFARE IN EUROPE. SPECIFICALLY, RDA WILL UNDERTAKE RESEARCH ON THE
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FOLLOWING TOPICS:

A. COMMAND, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION FOR USU AND OTHER NATO FORCES, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON CRISIS OPERATIONS AND LIMITED WAR OPERATIONS. THIS WORK WILL INCLUDE ANALYSIS OF CCC FROM THE US NATIONAL COMMAND AUTHORITY TO FORCES IN EUROPE.

B. FLEXIBILITY IN OPTIONS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL FORCES OVER A RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES WITH REGARD TO THE INTENSITY AND GEOGRAPHICAL EXTENT OF OPERATIONS.

C. IMPROVEMENTS IN INTELLIGENCE, RECONNAISSANCE, AND WARNING SYSTEMS TO ENHANCE THE DETECTION OF ENEMY PREPARATIONS FOR HOSTILITIES' AS WELL AS THE POSTURE, POSITION, AND MOVEMENT OF ENEMY FORCES DURING HOSTILITIES.

D. MODERNIZATION OF US AND OTHER NATO FORCES, INCLUDING OPTIONS FOR INCREASING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EXISTING AND PROGRAMMED RESOURCES.

2. THE OBJECTIVE OF THE RDA/DNA RESEARCH PROGRAM IS TO HELP PROVIDE THE BASIS AND SUPPORTING RATIONALE FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MILITARY TECHNOLOGY, FORCE COMPOSITION, POSTURE AND EMPLOYMENT. IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THESE ASSIGNMENTS AND TO MAKE THE RESULTS OF THIS RESEARCH MOST SIGNIFICANT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, RDA WILL OPEN A BRANCH OFFICE IN EUROPE. THIS IS BEING DONE IN THE MUNICH AREA.

3. THE DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE -- TECHNICAL, MILITARY INFORMATION OR OTHER IF APPROPRIATE -- WHICH THE ADDRESSEE CAN PROVIDE TO THE RDA EFFORT AND IN PARTICULAR TO GENERAL GEORGE J. EADE (USAF, RET, WHO IS VICE PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF THE RDA-EUROPE OPERATIONS, MR. FRED A. PAYNE, WHO IS HIS TECHNICAL DIRECTOR FOR RDA-EUROPE, AND OTHER RDA PERSONNEL. THIS IS A FOLLOW-ON TO THE TASKS DNA HAS PURSUED IN THE RECENT PAST, E.G. THE BRIEFINGS

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WHICH I BROUGHT OVER TO PRESENT TO YOU IN EARLY OCTOBER. I WOULD BE MOST GRATEFUL FOR YOUR PERSONAL THOUGHTS AS TO OBJECTIVES, METHODOLOGY, OR ANY OTHER ASPECTS OF OUR EFFORTS. END TEXT.

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